

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 2006 – HB 1973

February 18, 2014

**SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL:** Requires the Department of Education (DOE) to create and maintain a separate electronic database of student identification numbers for students with active duty military parents or guardians. Sets forth database requirements. Requires DOE to promulgate procedures for local education agencies to use when reporting data to the state. Requires such data be collected as cohort data as a report-only subgroup and not be used for the purposes of school, local education agency (LEA), or teacher evaluations. Requires DOE to grant access to this information to certain individuals to the extent authorized by federal law and without posing a threat to the confidentiality of the student

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

Increase State Expenditures - \$2,500,000/One-Time  
\$357,000/Recurring

**SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS (012233, 012613):** Amendment 012233 deletes the requirement that a separate electronic database be utilized by the Department of Education (DOE) to meet their requirement for maintaining student information for students with active duty military parents or guardians. Authorizes the State Board of Education, rather than the Commissioner, to promulgate rules and regulations for effectuating the purposes of this act. Amendment 012613 prohibits a student from being identified as the child of an active duty military parent or guardian without the consent the parent or guardian.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENTS:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- A new electronic database will not be built.
- Information on students with active duty military parents or guardians will be maintained in an existing electronic database.

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- According to the DOE, any changes to the existing electronic student database can be handled within existing state resources without an increase in personnel or additional state appropriations.
- Any increase in state or local expenditures to send or receive student identification consent forms to active duty parents or guardians is estimated to be not significant.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lucian D. Geise". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Lucian" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Geise".

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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